

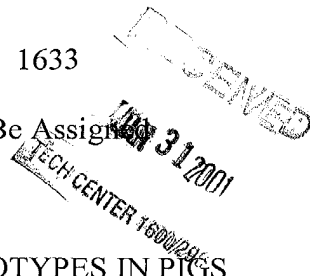
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In re Application of:)
Leif ANDERSSON et al.) Group Art Unit: 1633
Application Number: 09/550,605) Examiner: To Be Assigned
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of this continuation-in-part application of PCT/GB98/03081, filed October 13, 1998, please enter the following preliminary amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 4, following the Title of the Invention, please insert --This application is a continuation-in-part of PCT/GB98/03081, filed October 13, 1998.--

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3, 5 and 14,
In claim 3, please replace "is" with --as--.
In claim 5, please insert --is-- before "genomic."
In claim 14, please replace "the splice" with --a splice--.